

1 **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE**
2 **CODE SMTX THINK TANK**
3 **August 5, 2015, 6:00 p.m.**
4 **Old Fish Hatchery**
5 **201 CM Allen Pkwy**
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8 **THINK TANK MEMBERS PRESENT:** John David Carson
9 Shawn DuPont
10 Sofia Nelson
11 Chris Wood
12 David Singleton
13 Patrick Rose
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15 **STAFF PRESENT:** Kristy Stark, Assistant Director of
16 Development Services Department
17 Abby Gillfillan, Permit Center Manager
18 Andrea Villalobos, Planning Technician
19 Will Parrish, Planning Technician
20 Andrew Rice, Planning Intern
21 Diane Miller, Civic Collaboration
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23 **Call To Order**
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25 With a quorum present, the Think Tank Meeting was called to order by Chair John David Carson
26 at 6:05 p.m. on Wednesday, August 5, 2015 at the Old Fish Hatchery, 201 CM Allen Pkwy, San
27 Marcos, Texas.
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29 **30-Minute Citizen Comment Period**
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31 There were no citizen comments.
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33 **Approval of Minutes from July 22, 2015**
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35 A motion was made by Sofia Nelson, seconded by Shawn DuPont that the July 22, 2015 minutes
36 be approved. The motion carried.
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38 **Announcements and discussion regarding the transition of certain Think Tank members'**
39 **roles and the replacement of the vice-chair position**
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41 Sofia Nelson informed the Think Tank that she is stepping down from her role as Vice-Chair.
42 Sofia further added that she would continue to serve as a regular member.
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44 Chair John David Carson suggested nominating and electing a replacement Vice-Chair during
45 the next Think Tank meeting.
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1 Patrick Rose provided a letter of resignation to Staff and the Think Tank members. Patrick stated
2 that his resignation from the Think Tank would become effective at the end of the meeting.
3 Patrick requested that Staff forward the letter to City Council and to Mayor Guerrero.

4 5 **Distribution and discussion of Think Tank Code Issue Exploration Process**

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7 Abby Gillfillan provided an overview of the Code process and associated dates leading up the
8 Code adoption.

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10 Kristy Stark presented and reviewed the *Think Tank Handbook* that was presented to the Think
11 Tank at the start of the Code SMTX process. Kristy further discussed the roles of Think Tank
12 members.

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14 The Think Tank discussed the Code Issue Exploration Process, managing expectations within the
15 code, and discussed the Think Tank roles. The Think Tank explored methods for addressing
16 individual comments and framing the semantics of the draft code.

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18 John David suggested continuing through the next couple of meetings with the current process in
19 order to test the Code Issue Exploration Process.

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21 The Think Tank suggested naming the draft code “Initial Working Draft”.

22 23 **Next Steps**

24 25 **a. Future Agenda Items**

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27 Abby presented the September 2, 2015 meeting topic: explore issues on the proposed
28 changes to conventional zoning districts and the process for re-zoning and re-
29 development within existing neighborhood areas. Abby explained that the topics during
30 the meeting discussion are derived from the following Discussion Topics:

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32 2. Will PDD’s be allowed in the new code?
33 3. How are the existing conventional zoning districts changing
34 4. What is the process for future rezoning in neighborhoods?
35 11. What are the minimum acreage requirements for Character Based Zoning?

36 37 **b. Zoning for Character Workshops**

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39 Abby presented a post card to the Think Tank that is being used to inform the public of
40 the upcoming Zoning for Character Workshops on August 19th and 20th.

41 42 **Questions from the press and public**

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44 There were no questions from the press or public.

45 46 **Adjourn**

Flex Time: Open office hours / time available for Think Tank to discuss items individually with Staff

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:24 P.M.

John David Carson, Chair

Patrick Rose

Shawn DuPont

Diann McCabe

Chris Wood

Sofia Nelson, Vice Chair

David Singleton

Betsy Robertson

Tom Wassenich

ATTEST:

Andrea Villalobos, Planning Technician